

1 AN ACT concerning voter registration.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing  
5 Sections 4-6.2, 5-16.2, and 6-50.2 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/4-6.2) (from Ch. 46, par. 4-6.2)

7 Sec. 4-6.2. (a) The county clerk shall appoint all  
8 municipal and township or road district clerks or their duly  
9 authorized deputies as deputy registrars who may accept the  
10 registration of all qualified residents of their respective  
11 municipalities, townships and road districts. A deputy  
12 registrar serving as such by virtue of his status as a  
13 municipal clerk, or a duly authorized deputy of a municipal  
14 clerk, of a municipality the territory of which lies in more  
15 than one county may accept the registration of any qualified  
16 resident of the municipality, regardless of which county the  
17 resident, municipal clerk or the duly authorized deputy of  
18 the municipal clerk lives in.

19 The county clerk shall appoint all precinct  
20 committeepersons in the county as deputy registrars who may  
21 accept the registration of any qualified resident of the  
22 county, except during the 27 days preceding an election.

23 The election authority shall appoint as deputy registrars  
24 a reasonable number of employees of the Secretary of State  
25 located at driver's license examination stations and  
26 designated to the election authority by the Secretary of  
27 State who may accept the registration of any qualified  
28 residents of the county at any such driver's license  
29 examination stations. The appointment of employees of the  
30 Secretary of State as deputy registrars shall be made in the  
31 manner provided in Section 2-105 of the Illinois Vehicle

1 Code.

2 The county clerk shall appoint each of the following  
3 named persons as deputy registrars upon the written request  
4 of such persons:

5 1. The chief librarian, or a qualified person  
6 designated by the chief librarian, of any public library  
7 situated within the election jurisdiction, who may accept  
8 the registrations of any qualified resident of the  
9 county, at such library.

10 2. The principal, or a qualified person designated  
11 by the principal, of any high school, elementary school,  
12 or vocational school situated within the election  
13 jurisdiction, who may accept the registrations of any  
14 qualified resident of the county, at such school. The  
15 county clerk shall notify every principal and  
16 vice-principal of each high school, elementary school,  
17 and vocational school situated within the election  
18 jurisdiction of their eligibility to serve as deputy  
19 registrars and offer training courses for service as  
20 deputy registrars at conveniently located facilities at  
21 least 4 months prior to every election. At minimum,  
22 principals of secondary and vocational schools must  
23 request appointment as deputy registrars under this  
24 paragraph and conduct voter registration in the school  
25 district during the first 10 school days in May of each  
26 year to register students who are 18 years of age or over  
27 on the day of the next election. A principal need not  
28 request appointment as deputy registrar under this  
29 paragraph if a qualified person voluntarily agrees to act  
30 as a substitute for the principal and actually conducts  
31 the requisite voter registration. For purposes of this  
32 paragraph, a qualified person is any person who currently  
33 serves as or is qualified and is appointed to serve as a  
34 registration officer or deputy registrar under this Code.

1       Nothing in this paragraph shall prohibit the registration  
2       of voters in the school district at times other than  
3       during the first 10 school days in May of each year,  
4       except during the 27 days preceding an election.

5             3. The president, or a qualified person designated  
6       by the president, of any university, college, community  
7       college, academy or other institution of learning  
8       situated within the election jurisdiction, who may accept  
9       the registrations of any resident of the county, at such  
10      university, college, community college, academy or  
11      institution.

12            4. A duly elected or appointed official of a bona  
13      fide labor organization, or a reasonable number of  
14      qualified members designated by such official, who may  
15      accept the registrations of any qualified resident of the  
16      county.

17            5. A duly elected or appointed official of a  
18      bonafide State civic organization, as defined and  
19      determined by rule of the State Board of Elections, or  
20      qualified members designated by such official, who may  
21      accept the registration of any qualified resident of the  
22      county. In determining the number of deputy registrars  
23      that shall be appointed, the county clerk shall consider  
24      the population of the jurisdiction, the size of the  
25      organization, the geographic size of the jurisdiction,  
26      convenience for the public, the existing number of deputy  
27      registrars in the jurisdiction and their location, the  
28      registration activities of the organization and the need  
29      to appoint deputy registrars to assist and facilitate the  
30      registration of non-English speaking individuals. In no  
31      event shall a county clerk fix an arbitrary number  
32      applicable to every civic organization requesting  
33      appointment of its members as deputy registrars. The  
34      State Board of Elections shall by rule provide for

1 certification of bonafide State civic organizations. Such  
2 appointments shall be made for a period not to exceed 2  
3 years, terminating on the first business day of the month  
4 following the month of the general election, and shall be  
5 valid for all periods of voter registration as provided  
6 by this Code during the terms of such appointments.

7 6. The Director of the Illinois Department of  
8 Public Aid, or a reasonable number of employees  
9 designated by the Director and located at public aid  
10 offices, who may accept the registration of any qualified  
11 resident of the county at any such public aid office.

12 7. The Director of the Illinois Department of  
13 Employment Security, or a reasonable number of employees  
14 designated by the Director and located at unemployment  
15 offices, who may accept the registration of any qualified  
16 resident of the county at any such unemployment office.

17 8. The president of any corporation as defined by  
18 the Business Corporation Act of 1983, or a reasonable  
19 number of employees designated by such president, who may  
20 accept the registrations of any qualified resident of the  
21 county.

22 If the request to be appointed as deputy registrar is  
23 denied, the county clerk shall, within 10 days after the date  
24 the request is submitted, provide the affected individual or  
25 organization with written notice setting forth the specific  
26 reasons or criteria relied upon to deny the request to be  
27 appointed as deputy registrar.

28 The county clerk may appoint as many additional deputy  
29 registrars as he considers necessary. The county clerk shall  
30 appoint such additional deputy registrars in such manner that  
31 the convenience of the public is served, giving due  
32 consideration to both population concentration and area.  
33 Some of the additional deputy registrars shall be selected so  
34 that there are an equal number from each of the 2 major

1 political parties in the election jurisdiction. The county  
 2 clerk, in appointing an additional deputy registrar, shall  
 3 make the appointment from a list of applicants submitted by  
 4 the Chairman of the County Central Committee of the  
 5 applicant's political party. A Chairman of a County Central  
 6 Committee shall submit a list of applicants to the county  
 7 clerk by November 30 of each year. The county clerk may  
 8 require a Chairman of a County Central Committee to furnish a  
 9 supplemental list of applicants.

10 Deputy registrars may accept registrations at any time  
 11 other than the 27 day period preceding an election. All  
 12 persons appointed as deputy registrars shall be registered  
 13 voters within the county and shall take and subscribe to the  
 14 following oath or affirmation:

15 "I do solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be) that  
 16 I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the  
 17 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and that I will  
 18 faithfully discharge the duties of the office of deputy  
 19 registrar to the best of my ability and that I will register  
 20 no person nor cause the registration of any person except  
 21 upon his personal application before me.

22 .....  
 23 (Signature Deputy Registrar)"

24 This oath shall be administered by the county clerk, or  
 25 by one of his deputies, or by any person qualified to take  
 26 acknowledgement of deeds and shall immediately thereafter be  
 27 filed with the county clerk.

28 Appointments of deputy registrars under this Section,  
 29 except precinct committeemen, shall be for 2-year terms,  
 30 commencing on December 1 following the general election of  
 31 each even-numbered year; except that the terms of the initial  
 32 appointments shall be until December 1st following the next  
 33 general election. Appointments of precinct committeemen shall  
 34 be for 2-year terms commencing on the date of the county

1 convention following the general primary at which they were  
2 elected. The county clerk shall issue a certificate of  
3 appointment to each deputy registrar, and shall maintain in  
4 his office for public inspection a list of the names of all  
5 appointees.

6 (b) The county clerk shall be responsible for training  
7 all deputy registrars appointed pursuant to subsection (a),  
8 at times and locations reasonably convenient for both the  
9 county clerk and such appointees. The county clerk shall be  
10 responsible for certifying and supervising all deputy  
11 registrars appointed pursuant to subsection (a). Deputy  
12 registrars appointed under subsection (a) shall be subject to  
13 removal for cause.

14 (c) Completed registration materials under the control  
15 of deputy registrars, appointed pursuant to subsection (a),  
16 shall be returned to the proper election authority within 7  
17 days, except that completed registration materials received  
18 by the deputy registrars during the period between the 35th  
19 and 28th day preceding an election shall be returned by the  
20 deputy registrars to the proper election authority within 48  
21 hours after receipt thereof. The completed registration  
22 materials received by the deputy registrars on the 28th day  
23 preceding an election shall be returned by the deputy  
24 registrars within 24 hours after receipt thereof. Unused  
25 materials shall be returned by deputy registrars appointed  
26 pursuant to paragraph 4 of subsection (a), not later than the  
27 next working day following the close of registration.

28 (d) The county clerk shall not be required to provide  
29 additional forms to any deputy registrar having more than 200  
30 registration forms unaccounted for during the preceding 12  
31 month period.

32 (e) No deputy registrar shall engage in any  
33 electioneering or the promotion of any cause during the  
34 performance of his or her duties.

1 (f) The county clerk shall not be criminally or civilly  
2 liable for the acts or omissions of any deputy registrar.  
3 Such deputy registrars shall not be deemed to be employees of  
4 the county clerk.

5 (Source: P.A. 92-816, eff. 8-21-02.)

6 (10 ILCS 5/5-16.2) (from Ch. 46, par. 5-16.2)

7 Sec. 5-16.2. (a) The county clerk shall appoint all  
8 municipal and township clerks or their duly authorized  
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10 of all qualified residents of their respective counties. A  
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31 Code.

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8 by the principal, of any high school, elementary school,  
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4 (10 ILCS 5/6-50.2) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-50.2)

5 Sec. 6-50.2. (a) The board of election commissioners  
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 10 officer to the best of my ability and that I will register no  
 11 person nor cause the registration of any person except upon  
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13 .....  
 14 (Signature of Registration Officer)"

15 This oath shall be administered and certified to by one  
 16 of the commissioners or by the executive director or by some  
 17 person designated by the board of election commissioners, and  
 18 shall immediately thereafter be filed with the board of  
 19 election commissioners. The members of the board of election  
 20 commissioners and all persons authorized by them under the  
 21 provisions of this Article to take registrations, after  
 22 themselves taking and subscribing to the above oath, are  
 23 authorized to take or administer such oaths and execute such  
 24 affidavits as are required by this Article.

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3 (b) The board of election commissioners shall be  
4 responsible for training all deputy registrars appointed  
5 pursuant to subsection (a), at times and locations reasonably  
6 convenient for both the board of election commissioners and  
7 such appointees. The board of election commissioners shall  
8 be responsible for certifying and supervising all deputy  
9 registrars appointed pursuant to subsection (a). Deputy  
10 registrars appointed under subsection (a) shall be subject to  
11 removal for cause.

12 (c) Completed registration materials under the control  
13 of deputy registrars appointed pursuant to subsection (a)  
14 shall be returned to the proper election authority within 7  
15 days, except that completed registration materials received  
16 by the deputy registrars during the period between the 35th  
17 and 28th day preceding an election shall be returned by the  
18 deputy registrars to the proper election authority within 48  
19 hours after receipt thereof. The completed registration  
20 materials received by the deputy registrars on the 28th day  
21 preceding an election shall be returned by the deputy  
22 registrars within 24 hours after receipt thereof. Unused  
23 materials shall be returned by deputy registrars appointed  
24 pursuant to paragraph 4 of subsection (a), not later than the  
25 next working day following the close of registration.

26 (d) The board of election commissioners shall not be  
27 required to provide additional forms to any deputy registrar  
28 having more than 200 registration forms unaccounted for  
29 during the preceding 12 month period.

30 (e) No deputy registrar shall engage in any  
31 electioneering or the promotion of any cause during the  
32 performance of his or her duties.

33 (f) The board of election commissioners shall not be  
34 criminally or civilly liable for the acts or omissions of any

1 deputy registrar. Such deputy registrars shall not be deemed  
2 to be employees of the board of election commissioners.  
3 (Source: P.A. 92-816, eff. 8-21-02.)

4 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
5 becoming law.